

John Joost Barn

This barn is one of the barns in Wasatch County with gambrel roofs and this roof is made of corrugated metal. The barn was built in about 1950 by Amos and Grant Wilson and is located at 270 North Center St in Midway, Utah. The material used in the construction was native pine, from the local Kurt Rothe sawmill.

The two lean-to feed sheds were added later and do not have supporting posts. Rather, they are supported by steel rods hanging from the roof. The two silos, nearby, were added later to hold silage for his 40 Guernsey dairy operation. Both silos are of curved metal construction. The smaller one is bolted together. The fatter one is welded. Because chopped hay was stored in the barn for the cows and because it packs down so well, the barn began to bulge out. So cables were installed from side to side to hold the sides in. This barn was 70' long.

On 26 Mar 1959, "Johnny" moved his dairy operation with cows, heifers, and family to Stevensville, Montana, in the Bitterroot Valley. This was the result of a trade with James (Jim) Ririe. "Johnnie and wife are gone, but John Jr carries on the same kind of business and is a Mormon Bishop there.

A complete successive ownership rundown is not available, but John Joost purchased 112 acres from a Mr Wilson, and built up his herd and barn, then James Ririe owned it. Then his son-in-law Arlo Fillmore and his brother Ray ran the place in a dairy business. At present, Athena Vangorder owns the barn and property and leases to Joseph Byer.

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